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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Transport Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: National Enquiry Point
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Brake systems
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations (pages 355-367; English and French)
6.	Description of content: This proposal concerns an amendment to two sections of the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations: section 105, entitled "Hydraulic Brake Systems", and section 121, entitled "Air Brake Systems". The proposed amendment requires, among other things, medium and heavy vehicles to be equipped with antilock brake systems (ABS). It also establishes requirements for stopping distance performance for these medium and heavy vehicles. In addition, the proposed amendment extends the applicability of section 105 to vehicles equipped with an electric brake system. In this connection, section 135 of the Regulations, entitled "Passenger Car Brake Systems", must also be amended to clarify its applicability.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human safety
8.	Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part I, 6 February 1999
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } Not stated
10.	Final date for comments: 7 May 1999
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: